

House File 471

S-3206

1 Amend House File 471, as passed by the House, as
2 follows:

3 1. Page 2, after line 1 by inserting:

4 <Sec. _____. Section 600A.8, Code 2013, is amended by
5 adding the following new subsection:

6 NEW SUBSECTION. 11. *a.* The parent is palpably
7 unfit to be a party to the parent-child relationship
8 as determined by a consistent pattern of specific
9 conduct or specific conditions directly relating to the
10 parent-child relationship which are determined by the
11 court to be of a duration or nature that renders the
12 parent unable, for the reasonably foreseeable future,
13 to provide the appropriate care and support for the
14 ongoing physical, mental, or emotional needs of the
15 child.

16 *b.* In making a determination that a parent is
17 palpably unfit, the court may consider any specific
18 conduct or specific conditions directly relating
19 to the parent-child relationship that the court
20 deems significant in rendering the parent unable
21 to provide the appropriate care and support for the
22 ongoing physical, mental, or emotional needs of the
23 child. Such conduct or conditions may include but
24 are not limited to the parent's history relating to a
25 substance-related disorder as defined in section 125.2
26 that results in the parent being a danger to self or
27 others as evidenced by prior acts; the parent's history
28 of domestic abuse assault pursuant to section 708.2A;
29 the parent's history of imprisonment for a felony
30 offense including any crime against a child; or the
31 parent's current imprisonment from which the parent is
32 unlikely to be released in five years or less.>

33 2. Title page, line 1, after <to> by inserting
34 <termination of parental rights proceedings including
35 grounds for termination of parental rights and>

36 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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